



Docket No. 1232-4767

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s): Makoto MISAKA

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For: ZOOM LENS AND OPTICAL APPARATUS USING THE SAME

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.312

Sir:

Applicant received a Notice of Allowance dated February 19, 2004 and the issue fee is due on or before May 19, 2004 for the above-identified application. Applicant is paying the issue fee concurrently with this amendment. Entry of this Amendment under 37 C.F.R. §1.312 prior to issuance is respectfully requested.

Please amend this application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 7 of this paper.